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Justice Reinvestment Local Commission

1:00 PM, December 1, 2020

<https://meet.google.com/icm-smcj-xwj>

Minutes

- Call to Order
- Introductions
- Review and approval of minutes
- MDH Center for Harm Reduction Services - Erin Russel, Chief
 - Founded a year and a half ago, still a new and growing center. Goal is to reduce mortality and morbidity through narcan distribution and training, public health education and by supporting harm reduction services like the Syringe Service Program.
 - See attached slides
- HB116 & CIT - Jim Hedrick of GOCPYVS & Darren McGregor of BHA
 - HB116
 - Covid has brought progress to a crawl. Four jurisdictions on board before March and pandemic slowdown - Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's & St. Mary's Counties. One more jurisdiction was ready to go before covid, but delayed, and is just getting started now.

- We need to identify 6 more jurisdictions to implement next. Several are close, i.e. receiving some funding and already providing some services. Now we need them to identify themselves as implementing HB 116 which is a little bit broader. Not sure what will happen this General Assembly session, but we're supposed to have the next jurisdictions identified per the bill. Generally pleased with progress but Covid has been a big challenge.
- GOCPYVS is required to report on this - thank you all for helping get it submitted.
- Trying to get implementing jurisdictions together for a virtual event to share lessons learned and best practices.
- CIT/SB 305
 - Requires that a center be created in GOCPYVS to provide support and technical assistance to all agencies in relation to CIT and expanding crisis response services statewide. Bill requires hiring 3 positions in our office and requires we appoint a planning and implementation committee.
 - What is center supposed to do
 - We are already a national leader, 17 coordinators across the state. Center will bring this group together, help standardize & explore certifications, identify needs and help find new resources. We also hope to develop model programs so new agencies have a framework.
- DPSCS updates - Donna Rojas representing Asst. Sec. Scruggs
 - DPSCS has been extremely busy with emergency supervised releases due to Covid-19. Population considered eligible due to age, medical conditions, pregnancy, and special needs.
 - Finished vetting the list and now working with State's Attorney's offices and all of our offices to ensure safe return, home plans, etc.

- Continuing to work with local reentry programs and facilities and finalizing MOUs.
- SB0077 on IDs, birth certificates
 - DPSCS is working on this. SS cards can only be obtained 3 months pre release, birth certificates anytime.
 - Is there a list of counties with MOUs? We will get and share list
- JRA Workgroup updates - I will follow up separately via MCAA, thank you in advance for your help.
 - Expungement - What is shared in your facility or by your staff and partners regarding expungement?
 - Restitution
 - Is your facility working with DPSCS to collect restitution?
- Return Home Website - Dawna Cobb
 - Tour of the website, noted plans to expand and interest from a few local jurisdictions in starting something soon in their communities. Working with local DPSCS officers to distribute information.
 - <https://returnhome.org/>